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The Honorable Rosa L. DeLauro Chairwoman Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Tom Cole Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor, Health and Human Services, Education U.S. House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman DeLauro and Ranking Member Cole:

As you begin work on the fiscal year 2022 Labor, Health and Human Services and Education Appropriations Bill, I urge you to fund the Promoting Post-baccalaureate Opportunities for Hispanic Americans (PPOHA) Program at a level of \$35 Million.

Adequate funding for the PPOHA program is essential because Hispanic Serving Institutions face significant underfunding relative to other degree-granting institutions. As of FY2016, HSIs received \$3,117 per student from federal revenue sources, compared to \$4,605 per student for all degree-granting institutions. HSIs also serve a disproportionately low-income student population.

At fiscal year 2022 funding level of \$35 Million, the program will be able to provide more financial aid opportunities for Hispanic students seeking an undergraduate degree at Cal State Fullerton.

I urge you to support this funding level for the PPOHA program. Thank you for your consideration of my request.

Sincerely,

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Member of Congress